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1. Elbe Bridges

The present condition of Elbe Bridges between the zonal frontier and Magdeburg is as follows:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Type of Bridge</u>	<u>Condition</u>
Domitz	Rail and road	Temporarily repaired and usable
Domitz	Autobahn	Destroyed and unusable
Wittenberge	Rail and road	Destroyed; new bridge being built, completion expected some time this year
Hanertzen	Rail and road	Being rebuilt
Tangermunde	Road	Temporarily rebuilt
Hohenwarte	Autobahn	Destroyed and unusable; temporary bridge in use
Magdeburg	Rail	Temporarily repaired

2. Barge Traffic

Craft plying inland waterways in the Russian Zone are either Soviet-owned vessels with German crews or German-owned vessels. The latter are mainly old. The Soviet-owned vessels travel eastwards beyond the Oder as far as the Upper Silesian industrial area and to East Prussia and the Vistula River. German-owned vessels are not allowed to proceed beyond the Oder.

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